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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6258 NOTE PREPARED: Feb 17, 2014

BILL NUMBER: HB 1178 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Restricted Addresses of Judges.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Negele

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 2nd House

FIRST SPONSOR: Sen. Head

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> The bill adds an individual who is employed or was formerly employed as a judge of a federal court to the definition of "judge" for purposes of restricted access to certain addresses.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *Summary:* The bill will have minimal fiscal impact on a local unit that establishes a process for covered individuals to have their names removed from a public property data base of an Internet website.

<u>Additional Information:</u> The statute is permissive and does not require a local unit to establish the process. It appears that since the law was enacted in 2013, one local unit has established a process and one person has applied for exclusion. The statute does allow the recorder to collect reasonable fees.

There are approximately 37 active federal court judges in Indiana, and the federal courts are primarily located in seven Indiana communities. The number of retired federal judges living in Indiana is unknown; however, one is listed on the federal courts' Internet website.

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Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Counties; Municipalities; Townships.

<u>Information Sources:</u> David Botteroff, Indiana Association of Counties; http://www.insd.uscourts.gov; http://www.insd.uscourts.gov.

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